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I strongly oppose the Hague Convention as it will cause many quality agencies to close, which will in turn cause many children to lose the opportunity to have a loving family. Many of the children in these orphanages will DIE because of the Hague. Additionally, the Hague will cause those remaining agencies to raise their fees, preventing even more families from being able to adopt, building their much desired family. The Hague will be a disaster in international adoption!!! I strongly urge Congress to rethink this treaty and the damage it will cause to many families, and even more importantly, to the children so desperately in need of a loving family.